



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** A “cancer survivor” is defined as anyone living with a history of cancer - from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of life, and there are 9.6 million cancer survivors in America; and

**WHEREAS,** since over 1.3 million new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States this year, increased access to quality cancer care, screening, and prevention - especially among minorities and the medically underserved - must be a top priority in our community; and

**WHEREAS,** the great city of Lafayette has an active, productive cancer survivor population, demonstrating that a cancer diagnosis is no longer an automatic death sentence; and

**WHEREAS,** communities all across United States, Canada, and other participating countries will be celebrating life on Sunday, June 6, as part of the world’s largest cancer survivor event.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the state of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim June 6, 2004, as

### CANCER SURVIVORS DAY

in the state of Louisiana, and urge all citizens to join in this joyous celebration of life.



Attest By  
The Governor

*Kathleen Babineaux Blanco*  
Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the  
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the  
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this  
the 27th day of May  
A.D., 2004.*

*Kathleen Babineaux Blanco*  
Governor of Louisiana



27<sup>th</sup>

May

2004